

NOTICE PAPER

for

WEDNESDAY, 21 OCTOBER 1998

The House meets this day at 9.30am

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 **APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL and APPROPRIATION BILL** – Read a second time and referred to Estimates Committees (*18 September 1998*)
- 2 **ADDRESS IN REPLY** – Resumption of debate on the motion of Ms J Cunningham—
That the following address be presented to the Governor in reply to the Speech delivered by His Excellency in opening this, the First Session of the Forty–Ninth Parliament of Queensland—
“We, the members of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland, wish to assure your Excellency of our continued respect for the Crown, and loyalty to the system of government in this State, and to tender our thanks for the speech with which you opened the First Session. The various measures to which your Excellency referred and all other matters that may be brought before us will receive our careful consideration, and we shall strive to deal with them so that our endeavours may contribute to the advancement and the prosperity of the people of this State.”
(*6 August 1998, Mr Pearce*)
- 3 **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY (PORTABLE LONG SERVICE LEAVE) AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*20 October 1998, Mr Beanland*)
- 4 **EMERGENCY SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*18 September 1998, Mr Malone*)
- 5 **TRANS–TASMAN MUTUAL RECOGNITION (QUEENSLAND) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Borbidge*)
- 6 **STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Borbidge*)
- 7 **ATTORNEY–GENERAL BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Springborg*)
- 8 **POLICE POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Grice*)
- 9 **JUVENILE JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Beanland*)
- 10 **ADOPTION OF CHILDREN (HAGUE CONVENTION ON INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION) AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*27 August 1998, Mr Beanland*)
- 11 **BILLS OF SALE AND OTHER SECURITIES AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*27 August 1998, Mr Davidson*)
- 12 **HEALTH PRACTITIONERS (SPECIAL EVENTS EXEMPTION) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*18 September 1998, Miss Simpson*)
- *13 **INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*20 October 1998, Mr Beanland*)
- *14 **HEALTH AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*20 October 1998, Miss Simpson*)

GENERAL BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 **CITIZENS' INITIATED REFERENDUM (CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*25 August 1998, Mr Beattie*)
- 2 **CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND PENALTIES AND SENTENCES AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (*27 August 1998, Mr Foley*)

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The following questions were asked on Tuesday, 20 October 1998. Answers are required by Sessional Orders to be hand delivered to the Bills and Papers Office, Room A.18.1, Parliament House by 5pm on Thursday, 19 November 1998.

- 657 **MR BEANLAND** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE AND MINISTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES (MS BLIGH)—
- With reference to Mr Hans Heilpern, an Assistant Commissioner to the Forde Inquiry—
- (1) How much has the State Government paid him to date in his role as an Assistant Commissioner to the Forde Inquiry?
 - (2) How much Government money has Mr Heilpern expended on airfares and what are the full details of each airfare?
 - (3) How much Government money has Mr Heilpern expended on accommodation and what are the dates, daily tariff and locations of this accommodation?
 - (4) How much Government money has Mr Heilpern expended on other forms of transport and what are the details of this transport?
 - (5) What are the full details of other expenses incurred by Mr Heilpern and paid for by the Queensland Government?
- 658 **MR FELDMAN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
- If public health is a major concern in the goat milk affair, what action has been taken by the Health Department or the Queensland Dairy Authority over the past four years to reduce the risk from the illegal sale of unpasteurised milk which is stated by the Queensland Dairy Authority in 1995 as a significant volume (discussion paper 1995)?
- 659 **MR DALGLEISH** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY AND MINISTER ASSISTING THE DEPUTY PREMIER ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (MR McGRADY)—
- Will he give an overview of his vision for the electricity industry in relation to privatisation/amalgamation/corporatisation, with particular reference to likely job losses, reduced service and increased vulnerability to power outages?
- 660 **MR LAMING** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—
- With reference to public housing at 30 September—
- (1) How many applicants were on the public housing waitlist in total and by area office?
 - (2) What is the composition of the public housing waitlist by the family types (a) couple (without children), (b) couple (with children), (c) single (with children), (d) single (without children), (e) pensioner (couple), (f) pensioner (single) and (g) domestic violence (single) in total and percentage terms by area office?

- (3) What is the number of applicants on the public housing waitlist by wait time months (a) less than 6 months, (b) 6 to 11 months, (c) 1 to 2 years, (d) 2 to 3 years, (e) 3 to 4 years and (f) more than 4 years in total and by area office.
- (4) How many applicants were allocated housing between 1 October 1997 and 30 September 1998 in total and by area office?
- (5) How many applicants were allocated public housing by month in 1998–99?
- (6) How many evictions of public housing tenants have occurred by month in 1998–99?

661 **MR GOSS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—

With reference to public housing at 30 September—

- (1) How many dwellings, by dwelling type and bedroom number, were vacant for (a) less than 4 weeks, (b) 4 to 12 weeks and (c) more than 12 weeks in total and by area office?
- (2) What was the vacant turnaround time for maintenance and for allocations of public housing premises?

662 **MR LITTLEPROUD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

With reference to the fact that he is obliged to subscribe to the principle of Cabinet solidarity and as the Emergency Services Legislation Amendment Bill 1998 aims to (a) abolish boards that are claimed to be another layer of cumbersome decision making, (b) save money that can be better spent on other departmental programs and (c) establish an advisory council made of stakeholders from a wide range of relevant interests—

- (1) How can he support the Emergency Services legislation while, in his own department, he plans to (a) set up another layer of cumbersome decision making in the form of an Environmental Protection Agency, (b) spend up to \$7m per annum on this agency when other programs within the department need more money for vital projects and (c) abolish the Environmental Protection Council of Queensland which was an advisory body representing a wide range of stakeholders?
- (2) Has Cabinet endorsed the proposal, knowing it is inconsistent with Cabinet's approval of the Emergency Services Legislation Amendment Bill 1998?

663 **MR ROWELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

With reference to a wide range of crops in Queensland which need some form of protection against pests and as The National Registration Authority requires that products used for plant protection be registered, although with minor crops it is not always possible to receive registration as the manufacturer may be reluctant to carry out the registration for a number of reasons, and as this factor can severely affect the production of the crop and the growth of an industry—

- (1) Is the Department of Primary Industries prepared to carry out this registration; if not, what are the alternatives?
- (2) Will the necessary work be done by contract with DPI paying the cost?
- (3) Are Queensland growers being disadvantaged against imports from other countries where a product not registered in Queensland is being used by the importing country?
- (4) Is produce being analysed to ensure unregistered products are not being used?
- (5) Is it not in the best interest of Queensland growers to have the best safe mechanism available to combat pests?
- (6) Are sufficient funds being applied to spray technology to ensure the best use of the registered products?
- (7) How much is being apportioned by DPI for the development of this technology?

- (8) Where is it being carried out and how many staff are involved?
- (9) Is there likely to be any increase in the budget?
- (10) What range of equipment is being examined?
- (11) What relationship exists between DPI and the manufacturers of equipment?
- (12) How do we rate with other countries and States, especially our competitors, with the spectrum of plant protection?
- (13) Which countries and States are using superior methods to those being adopted in Queensland?

664 **MR LINGARD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADY)—

With reference to a media release on 24 August, titled "New jobs package pledges boost to employment" in which he stated, and I quote, "State Government departments, local councils, industry and statutory authorities will all be involved, with quotas for new jobs positions to be set for the public sector by the new Jobs Policy Council. Early indications are that a number of departments are already leading the way in boosting jobs in their own areas. Queensland Rail will increase recruitment from its last intake of 80 apprentices to 150 apprentices and 100 trainees and housing is looking at expanding the Housing Industry Trade Training Program from 200 apprentices to 400 over the next three years. My own Department of Employment, Training and Industrial Relations is considering taking in at least 200 trainees and 20 apprentices and Q-Build will increase its intake from 5 trainees to 90 ... the first statewide recruitment would take place in October, with a second early in the new year"—

How many trainees and apprentices have been employed by the Department of Employment, Training and Industrial Relations and other departments since that statement was issued?

665 **MR SANTORO** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADY)—

With reference to Labor's New Direction Statement, "Breaking the Unemployment Cycle", which provides for an additional 9,000 apprenticeships and traineeships in the private sector over three years as follows (a) 7,500 from the private sector, (b) 600 from construction of public housing and (c) 900 from application of the 10 per cent rule on contracts and to the release on 5 September 1997 by the Hon Dr David Kemp MP, the Federal Minister for Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs of his "New Apprenticeship" National Campaign and as part of this, Queensland was to receive \$126m for more than 50,000 apprenticeships and traineeships over two years—

Does he consider 9,000 additional apprenticeships and traineeships over three years to be an ambitious target given Federal projections for 50,000 over two years and if he considers his 9,000 will be in addition to the 50,000 projected by the Federal Government, what will distinguish his 9,000 from the 50,000?

666 **MRS CUNNINGHAM** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

With reference to a demonstrated and serious problem with the mandatory operation of Vessel Monitoring Systems (VMS) on fishing vessels without auxiliary power where batteries are flattened, leaving vessels helpless and isolated from safe harbour—

Will he give an exemption to the full time operation on these vessels of VMS on the basis of radio reporting by vessel operators of position changes which would retain the integrity of the purpose of VMS?

667 **MISS SIMPSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

With reference to her announcement of a program to recruit 200 additional mental health staff—

- (1) Will she detail the cities and towns where these staff will be located?

- (2) What is the timeframe for recruiting these staff?
- (3) Will any of the staff be recruited from within existing Queensland Health mental health services?
- (4) In particular, will any of the 200 mental health staff be recruited from either Wolston Park Hospital or Baillie Henderson; if so, how many will be recruited from each institution?

668 **MR MITCHELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY AND MINISTER ASSISTING THE DEPUTY PREMIER ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (MR MCGRADY)—

With reference to the planned review of mining royalties and to his goal of introducing a “fair and realistic” royalty regime which promotes value adding to Queensland mineral production (page 2, Ministerial Portfolio Statement)—

- (1) How exactly does he define “fair and realistic”?
- (2) How does this definition relate to his stated goal on page 1 of the Ministerial Portfolio Statement of “maximising the net return of royalty” and his other objective of “maximising the net return of jobs”?
- (3) What action is he and the Government taking to ensure Queensland coal royalties are competitive with other coal producing countries?

669 **MRS PRATT** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE AND MINISTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES (MS BLIGH)—

With reference to funding of \$74,000 for the Rural Family Support Service in the South Burnett which was announced in mid-May 1998, applications to sponsor closed in mid-July, still no decision made and as the service needs to be operating and the need was first identified in April 1997 (now almost 18 months later)—

When will a decision be made on the sponsoring body to set up the Rural Family Support Service in the South Burnett?

670 **MR HEGARTY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

With reference to his TAFE Budget, which expends an additional \$10m which he has taken from the Competitive Funding Allocation yet he achieves no increase in TAFE student numbers, only a marginal increase of 0.5 million student contact hours, and to his plan to raise 20 per cent less in receipts from course and tuition fees—

Will he guarantee that ANTA will not financially penalise Queensland because his efforts do not meet Federal funding requirements that States maintain their training effort?

671 **MR SEENEY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY AND MINISTER ASSISTING THE DEPUTY PREMIER ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (MR MCGRADY)—

With reference to the Calvale to Tarong Power Transmission line—

- (1) How many people were employed as “cultural heritage monitors” on this project?
- (2) What was the total cost of these monitors to the project?
- (3) At what rate did these monitors get paid?
- (4) What qualifications did these monitors need to have to justify this rate of pay?

672 **MR HOBBS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

- (1) Will he advise the proposed changes in the number of departmental regions for the Department of Natural Resources?
- (2) Which regions will be disbanded?
- (3) When the regions are disbanded, what will be the new boundaries?
- (4) Will he provide a map of the new boundaries?

- (5) How will service provision of the department be enhanced by the restructure of the regions?
- (6) In those regions to be disbanded and/or amalgamated, which staff positions will be (a) abolished, (b) downgraded and (c) restructured?
- (7) What effect is expected on staff morale with the restructure?

673 **MR STEPHAN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADY)—

Why has he chosen to put the well-being of agricultural college students at Longreach at risk and also risk the health of students and the Burdekin community by taking essential infrastructure funding for new dormitories, sewerage treatment facilities, etc., from the colleges so that he can provide \$4m to a private training enterprise, i.e., the Construction Training Skills Centre at Salisbury?

674 **MR BAUMANN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADY)—

With reference to his recent correspondence to Roundtable Chairpersons advising them of the virtual disbanding of the Roundtables and in view of the fact that Regional Roundtables were established by the previous Government in order to obtain advice and input for the training profile from a regional perspective—

Will he indicate to me the area within his Budget where an allocation has been made for this type of training advice to be received or has he dispensed altogether with mechanisms to obtain training advice for the training profile from a regional perspective?

675 **MRS GAMIN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

With reference to dairy farmers (and other primary producers) who have experienced difficulties in the past with animal inspections carried out by the RSPCA and have requested that the Department of Primary Industries stock inspectors be seconded to such duties in matters relating to livestock—

- (1) Will the new Animal Care and Protection Bill include the provision that the Department of Primary Industries stock inspectors and veterinary officers will be “inspectors” under the new legislation?
- (2) Will these “inspectors” be the primary inspectorate promoting and enforcing the legislation with livestock?
- (3) What role will RSPCA inspectors have under the new legislation and what powers will RSPCA inspectors have in relation to DPI officers?
- (4) Will the powers of RSPCA inspectors be the same as at present; if not, how will these change?
- (5) When will the legislation be presented to Parliament?

676 **MR COOPER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

With reference to the Cabinet decision on Monday 19 October to amend the Brands Act—

- (1) Will the State Government be lending support to the development of a value-based marketing system for hides?
- (2) What work has the Department of Primary Industries and/or the Beef Industry Development Advisory Council undertaken to date to develop a system of value-based marketing for hides?
- (3) If the State Government is lending support to the development of a value-based marketing system, what form will this system take and when and how will this system be implemented?

677 **MR CONNOR** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

With reference to land resumed or purchased for the purpose of road construction—

- (1) For what associated purposes can land be resumed or purchased?
- (2) Can the Main Roads Department purchase or resume land to create parkland to act as a buffer zone between roads and housing?

678 **MR SLACK** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

As prior to the last Election both the then Leader of the Opposition and he as the employment Shadow Minister promised that employers on the verge of retrenching 50 or more employees would be refunded \$100,000 in payroll tax in order to stave off such retrenchments, has provision for the refund of the above stated amount of money been made in any other Ministerial Program Statement; if not, does such a provision exist within his Ministerial Program Statement; if so, where?

679 **MR LESTER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

With reference to the previous Government's decision to fund a world-first study based on the proposed Nathan Dam to determine the effect river dams have on marine life by monitoring water quality sediment, food webs, significant species and agricultural chemicals and their relationship to coastal fisheries, sea grass and coral reef ecology and as this program was to be funded through the Regional Infrastructure Development program—

Will he provide details on the budget allocations for this study, the time-frame for the study under the new Government and the names of those people (and their organisations) who will be involved with the study, in addition to the anticipated commencement date?

680 **MR QUINN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR WELLS)—

With reference to his department and other agencies within his portfolio—

- (1) What is the name of each person or company engaged in a consultancy role since the change of Government on 26 June?
- (2) What is the purpose of each consultancy?
- (3) What are the dates of engagement and estimated dates of completion for each consultancy?
- (4) What are the hourly and total costs of each consultancy?
- (5) How much has been expended on each consultancy in 1998–99 to date?
- (6) What is the total estimated cost of each consultancy in 1998–99?
- (7) Which of these consultancies will present a report and when (month and year will suffice)?
- (8) Which of these consultancies will not present a report and why not?
- (9) Which reports will be made public and when (month and year will suffice)?
- (10) Which reports will not be made public and why not?

681 **MR PAFF** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR WELLS)—

With reference to the sudden and costly storm which struck the Ipswich–Brisbane region on Tuesday, 13 October and the dangerous “bus waiting zone” situation which developed at about 3pm on Vogel Road, Brassall, on the western side of Ipswich State High School oval when some 500 children were placed in a most serious and dangerous situation after being left exposed on open ground to the violent thunderstorm with lightning and heavy hail, and as many parents have lodged complaints about this situation and have complained that their children could not escape back to the protection of the school facility because of the distance involved—

- (1) What will he tell these parents, especially when he discovers that complaints are stacking up and have gone back at least six years?
- (2) How would he react if children had been killed or seriously injured by the storm because the authorities had not acted sooner to clear up this mess?
- (3) What steps has he taken to provide shelter?
- (4) What study, if any, has been made of an easement into the school oval?

TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

Dr Clark, Mr Mickel, Ms Nelson–Carr and Mr Reeves

ESTIMATES COMMITTEES

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE A—

Members—

Mr Mickel (Chairman), Hon. R Borbidge, Ms Boyle, Mrs J Cunningham, Mr Horan and Dr Watson

Organisational Units—

- Office of the Governor
- Legislative Assembly
- Queensland Audit Office
- Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations
- Criminal Justice Commission
- Department of the Premier and Cabinet
- Department of State Development
- Treasury Department
- Any other organisational units within the portfolios of the Premier, the Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade and the Treasurer

Reports—

- Report No. 1 October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 1998*)
- Report No. 2 October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 1998*)

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE B—

Members—

Mr Purcell (Chairman), Hon. D Fouras, Messrs Grice, Malone, Musgrove, and Springborg

Ministerial Portfolios—

- Attorney–General and Minister for Justice and Minister for the Arts
- Minister for Police and Corrective Services
- Minister for Emergency Services

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 1998*)

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE C—

Members—

Mr Fenlon (Chairman), Ms Attwood, Mrs E Cunningham, Messrs Johnson, Laming and Reeves

Ministerial Portfolios—

- Minister for Transport and Minister for Main Roads
- Minister for Public Works and Minister for Housing

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 1998*)

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE D—

Members—

Mr Sullivan (Chairman), Messrs Beanland, Cooper and Davidson, Ms Nelson–Carr and Mr Wellington

Ministerial Portfolios—

- Minister for Primary Industries
- Minister for Families, Youth and Community Care and Minister for Disability Services
- Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Minister for Women's Policy and Minister for Fair Trading

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 1998*)

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ESTIMATES COMMITTEES (CONTD.)

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE E—

Members—

Mr Mulherin (Chairman), Hon. K Hayward, Messrs Mitchell, Pearce and Slack and Miss Simpson

Ministerial Portfolios—

- Minister for Mines and Energy and Minister Assisting the Deputy Premier on Regional Development
- Minister for Health

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 20 October 1998*)

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE F—

Members—

Mr Roberts (Chairman), Messrs Kingston, Quinn, and Santoro, Ms Struthers and Mr Wilson

Ministerial Portfolios—

- Minister for Employment, Training and Industrial Relations
- Minister for Education

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 20 October 1998*)

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE G—

Members—

Mr Lucas (Chairman), Dr Clark, Messrs Hobbs and Healy, Mrs Lavarch and Hon. V Lester

Ministerial Portfolios—

- Minister for Communication and Information and Minister for Local Government, Planning, Regional and Rural Communities
- Minister for Tourism, Sport and Racing
- Minister for Environment and Heritage and Minister for Natural Resources

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 20 October 1998*)

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

LEGAL, CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE—

Members—

Mr Fenlon (Chairman), Mr Beanland, Ms Boyle, Mrs Gamin, Messrs Rappolt and Wilson

Current Inquiries—

- The consolidation of the Queensland Constitution
- A review of the report on the strategic review of the Queensland Ombudsman
- The preservation and enhancement of individuals' rights and freedoms

Report—

- Annual Report for 1997–98 (*Tabled 26 August 1998*)

MEMBERS' ETHICS AND PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE—

Members—

Mr Mickel (Chairman), Ms Attwood, Messrs Nelson and Reeves, Mrs Sheldon and Mr Springborg

Current Inquiries—

- Matter of privilege raised by the Member for Merrimac
- Parliamentary privilege in Queensland
- Matter of privilege raised by the Leader of the House
- Code of Conduct for Members of the Legislative Assembly

Report—

- Annual Report for 1997–98 (*Tabled 18 September 1998*)

PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE—

Members—

Mr Lucas (Chairman), Dr Clark, Mr Hegarty, Hon. V Lester, Mr Paff and Ms Struthers

Report—

- Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 6 October 1998*)

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES (CONTD.)**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—****Members—**

Hon. K Hayward (Chairman), Messrs Connor, Grice, Mulherin, Pearce and Slack

Current Inquiries—

- Inquiry into the Administration of Grants and Subsidies by Queensland Government Departments
- Review of the Second Report of the Auditor-General on Audits Performed for 1996–1997 (including Universities and Grammar Schools) and the Report of the Auditor-General on Audits of Aboriginal Councils and Island Councils Performed for 1996–1997
- Year 2000 Compliance in the Queensland Public Sector

Report—

- Report No. 45 – Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—**Members—**

Mr Roberts (Chairman), Messrs Knuth, Laming, Musgrove, Purcell and Rowell

Current Inquiries—

- Construction of a hot fire training facility
- Townsville Hospital redevelopment
- Correctional centres in Townsville
- Heritage Train project
- Construction of a new school and secondary department at Tin Can Bay
- Redevelopment of the Maryborough Hospital
- Construction of 30 Citytrain carriages

Reports—

- Report No. 48 – A review of the construction of the Queensland Cultural Centre Stage V (*Tabled 16 September 1998*)
- Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 24 September 1998*)

SCRUTINY OF LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—**Members—**

Mrs Lavarch (Chairman), Mrs E Cunningham, Mr Elliott, Hon. D Fouras, Dr Kingston and Mr Wellington

Reports—

- Alert Digest No. 6 of 1998 (*Tabled 25 August 1998*)
- Alert Digest No. 7 of 1998 (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)
- Alert Digest No. 8 of 1998 (*Tabled 20 October 1998*)

SELECT COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY ENTITLEMENTS—**Members—**

Hon. T Mackenroth (Chairman), Mr Speaker, Hon. P Beattie, Mr Borbidge, Mrs E Cunningham, Hon. J Elder, Mr Feldman, Dr Watson and Mr Wellington

Current Inquiry—

- Members' entitlements

SELECT COMMITTEE ON TRAVELSAFE—**Members—**

Ms J Cunningham (Chairman), Messrs Healy and Hobbs, Ms Nelson-Carr, Messrs Stephan and Sullivan

Current Inquiry—

- The Road Safety Implications of Unlicensed Driving and the Driving of Unregistered Vehicles in Queensland

Reports—

- Report No. 26 – Annual Report 1997–1998 (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)
- Issues Paper No. 2 – The Road safety Implications of Unlicensed Driving and the Driving of Unregistered Vehicles in Queensland (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—**Members—**

Mr Speaker (*ex officio* Chairman), Messrs Borbidge, D'Arcy and Feldman, Hon. T Mackenroth and Dr Watson

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